

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

March 17, 2024

## *Thoughts on Transformation*

*with*

*Rev. Vicky Hanjian*

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"For a seed to achieve its greatest expression, it must come completely undone. The shell cracks, its insides come out and everything changes. To someone who doesn't understand growth, it would look like complete destruction." by Heather Warman

### **Ring the Bell**

**Welcome and Community Connection**

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

**Prelude**

Peter Halperin

**Opening Words and Chalice Lighting**

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

By Arlen Goff

**Hymn** *Be Thou My Vision*

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**Time for All Ages**

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

**Reading** *The Journey* by Mary Oliver

Rev. Vicky Hanjian

**Candles of Joy and Concern**

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

**Silent Meditation**

**Sung Response** *Spirit of Life* (seated)

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**Offering**

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

**Morning Message** *Transformation! -- Really??*

Rev. Vicky Hanjian

**Hymn** *Filled with Loving Kindness*

#1031

**Benediction/Blessing**

Rev. Vicky Hanjian

- excerpt from *Letter from Our Better Angels* by Sean Parker Dennison

**Postlude** (please remain seated)

Peter Halperin

Thank you to our volunteers Bill Bridwell, Maddie Maccaferri for our service support and Ann Charnley and & Peter Meleney providing refreshments for today's service.

### Need Someone to Listen?

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Janet, your Lay Ministers (Bill Bridwell, Jan Casey, Kevin Longval) are available to lend support to anyone in our UUSMV community in their time of need by being available to listen and offer comfort. You can reach them individually by calling: Jan Casey (508-942-3643), Bill Bridwell (774-563-8542), Kevin Longval (781-249-4712) or reach out to [uu.society.mv@gmail.com](mailto:uu.society.mv@gmail.com)

### The Food Pantry needs our Help!

We as a caring community are aware of the difficulties that many families and individuals on the island face. The Island Food Pantry has been at the forefront of trying to give assistance to those in need of food and other supplies such as personal hygiene products. Right now they need help to keep up with the demand.



**We are dedicating the month of March as a Share the Plate with the Food Pantry month.** We will have a box located in the front foyer to accept food and other products that you may feel like donating. We will also be collecting an offering during the third Sunday service of the month (**March 17th, St. Patrick's Day**). 100% of that collection will go to the Food Pantry. For those of you who wish to pay by check please make the check out to "UUSMV" with the words food pantry in the memo. Thank you!

### Article 2 Adult Faith Formation



Please help us facilitate scheduling by answering a few questions about your preferred way of meeting and availability. NOTE: while we have some names from Sunday Worship Sign-ups, the questions about meeting time and frequency are new. Please fill the form out even if you have already indicated interest. Scan our QR code or follow this link: <https://forms.gle/xcRZ7ZkzemUXWNdA8> .

### March Events

**Sunday, March 17, 10 am:** Share the Plate with the Food Pantry (100% of our plate offerings will go to the Island Food Pantry)

**Sunday, March 17, 8:30 - 9:30 pm:** Young Peoples AA (Stevens Chapel)

**Sunday, March 17, 4- 5:30 pm:** Musical Sunday Afternoons with Barbara & Jessie, Jaywalkers duo, free, all are welcome!

**Tuesday, March 19, 9:30 am:** Meditation Circle - Join on Zoom (Meeting ID: 864 3352 3334 Passcode: 737316) or Contact Ed Merck [ejm646@gmail.com](mailto:ejm646@gmail.com)

**Friday, March 22, 10 - 11:15 am:** Let's Have a Visit (meet on Zoom)

**Friday, April 5, 2 pm:** Sewcial Action Knitwork at the home of Mimi Davisson

**Sunday, April 7, 4- 5:30 pm:** Musical Sunday Afternoons with Andy Herr duo, free, all are welcome!

